



TIPPECANNEWS

Happy Holidays!

Business of the Year

The City of Tipp City and the Tipp City Area Chamber of Commerce awarded both the Business and Small Business of the Year Awards at the Chamber Holiday Gala on December 3 at the Crystal Room. The 2008 Business of the Year is Captor Corporation who has been in business in Tipp City area for over 40 years. Captor Corporation is very active in the community/schools and with various service projects. The 2008 Small Business of the Year Award was presented to Bud Polley's Floor Center. Bud Polley was very active in raising funds for the Veteran's Memorial project and other community programs. Congratulations to both Captor Corporation and Bud Polley's.



Your Tax Dollars at Work

Did you know that Tipp City employs five full-time employees in the Street Department? This number has not increased since 1975; however, an additional 42 lane miles of new streets have been added to our City. New developments such as Springhill, Sycamore Woods, and Windmere have increased Tipp City streets to a total of 117 lane miles, or 23.4 miles per employee. Some of the typical street maintenance items include pot-hole and street repairs, storm sewer and catch basin cleaning and repairs, street sign replacement, leaf pick-up, and snow and ice removal.

2009 Aquatic Center Season

Though we are just beginning the winter season, it's not too early to start thinking of warm weather and fun at the Tippecanoe Family Aquatic Center. Passes are now on sale by visiting the Tipp City Government Center Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Passes may also be purchased online at www.tippcityohio.gov.

Membership Type	Resident Rate	Non-Resident Tax Payer*	Non-Resident
Adult	\$115	\$140	\$175
Youth (ages 3-17)	\$90	\$115	\$145
Senior	\$90	\$115	\$145
Family of 2-4 People**	\$210	\$255	\$280

* Purchaser must demonstrate that they work in Tipp City and currently pay Tipp City Income Taxes

** Additional Family members \$10 each, children 2 and under are free

Let the Sun Shine in

You don't have to install solar panels on your roof to get benefits from the sun. Simply let the sun into your home, especially on cold days. It's the most powerful source of energy around us.

Here are three ways you can help the sunshine keep your home warmer this winter.

- 1. Clean your windows.** Even the sun can't peek through windows that are covered with grime left behind by snow or rain that splashes your panes.
- 2. Open your drapes.** Invite the sunshine into west- (or southwest-) facing windows during the day. Close your blinds and drapes after dark. If privacy is a concern, add light-colored sheer panels that you can keep closed all day without blocking the sun's rays.
- 3. Trim your hedges.** Overgrown shrubs and trees can shade your windows too much to get heating benefits from the sun.



Christmas Tree Collection

Waste Management will be picking up Christmas trees on Monday, January 5 and Monday, January 12. Please make sure all ornaments, icicles, garland and decorations are completely removed and place your tree at curbside Sunday evening as pick-up will start early Monday morning.

Trash pick-up will be delayed for Christmas Day and New Years Day. Collection performed on or directly following the holiday will be delayed one day.

Your Power Supply

Tipp City Electric gets its power from many sources and there are several projects in the works to help us further diversify that mix. Our goal has always been to provide our customers with a reliable, cost effective electric system that they can be proud of. That is one of the benefits of a Public Power System. We are governed locally and ultimately you, our customers have a voice in what we do. Also, our employees live locally and are therefore able to provide a quick response in emergency situations. During the recent wind event Tipp City Electric was able to restore power to the majority of the city within 24 hours while some of our neighboring communities were powerless for weeks.

Tipp City Electric is participating in the construction of new "clean coal" power plant, AMPGS. We do not generate our own electric in Tipp City, rather we purchase electric power from the market by negotiating purchase contracts. Our

current supply sources include Dayton Power & Light (DP&L), Cinergy, New York Power Authority (NYPA) and landfill gas of which the last two are considered renewable power sources.

We realize and value the importance of renewable energy, though there is also a balance of cost and availability. Currently, there are no commercially available renewable options at a size necessary to sustain our entire power needs as a community. Tipp City is largely a market purchaser of energy and the market consists primarily of older less efficient plants. In addition, we are subject to the volatility of the market as electric suppliers are now less willing to negotiate long term purchase contracts. The AMPGS project is designed to decrease our dependence from the volatile market and replace the need for energy from older dirtier plants. Air emissions from AMPGS will be significantly lower than any other power plant currently

sited in Ohio and will meet and/or exceed all emission standards set by the Ohio EPA.

In addition to this project Tipp City is also actively participating in several renewable energy projects. These include the construction of several hydroelectric dams along the Ohio River and the installation of a wind monitoring tower in Miami County to determine the feasibility of wind power in sufficient speeds for use by our electric system. We will continue to look for more opportunities to diversify our energy sources and also maintain a reliable, cost effective electric system. ♡

Tipp City Electric: Reliable, Local, Yours

Snow Reminders

With thoughts of snowy months to come, Tipp City residents are reminded of the following rules and regulations regarding snow and ice removal from the sidewalks and public access areas in front of their property.

- ♡ Snow and ice must be removed from the sidewalks within the first 4 hours after daylight, following or during a snow or ice event.
- ♡ Salt, sand, or other suitable substance must be sprinkled on the sidewalk within 4 hours after daylight, following or during a snow or ice event.
- ♡ Trash cans and recycling bins should be placed on the curb so as not to interfere with snow removal, parking, etc.

Please remember to blow or shovel snow into your yard, not into the street. In the event of a snowstorm, City crews will first remove snow from our main streets and thoroughfares, followed by our secondary streets and intersections. Removal of snow from our cul-de-sacs will be our third priority and clearing of alleys is the City's last priority. Given the intensity of the snow event, the City crews will eventually plow all city streets and alleys. The City appreciates your patience during any snow or ice storm and should you have any emergency, please contact 911, otherwise if you have a non-emergency concern or information, please contact the City at 667-6305.

Please drive safely. ♡

Important City Contacts

Automated Attendant/Direct Connect
669-TIPP

Police, Fire and EMS (EMERGENCY)
9-1-1

Miami County Communications Center (Non-Emergency)
440-9911

Police (Non-Emergency)
667-3112

Fire and EMS (Non-Emergency)
667-9199 or 667-1680

Utility Billing
667-8424

Planning/Zoning
667-6305

Engineering and Utilities
667-6305

Refuse Collection (Waste Management)
866-695-3433

Service Center (Parks and Streets)
667-8234

City Manager's Office
667-8425

Clerk of Council
506-3173

Construction Notice Update
667-6293

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